

Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, ranking members Kissel and Rebimbas and distinguished members of the Joint Committee on the Judiciary:

My name is Leslie Bhutani, I am from Greenwich, CT. I am a long-time supporter of CT Against Gun Violence.

I am testifying in **support** of H.B. 7218, *An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in the Home*, H.B. 7223 *An Act Concerning the Safe Storage of Firearms in Vehicles*, H.B. 7219, *An Act Concerning Ghost Guns* and S.B. 60 *An Act Concerning the Presentation of a Carry Permit*.

I believe that in a civilized society we can agree to reasonable restrictions on our rights to benefit the greater good. I believe these bills are entirely reasonable and should be passed into legislation. Guns can be deadly. Cars can be deadly. We make sure that car owners and drivers jump through many hoops to have the right to be on the roads. The public safety is considered paramount to the driver's freedom. We comply with these laws, and as a result, there are fewer accidents than there would be without the restrictions. We have to be

on the same page as a society in wanting to reduce the number of preventable deaths from ANY cause! It's just common sense. Please understand that none of these new laws would infringe on gun owner's rights. They just require them to follow rules that will protect the majority from those who would use guns inappropriately.

I strongly support H.B. 7218, H.B. 7219 and S.B. 60 and urge you to favorably vote these bills out of the Judiciary Committee.

Sincerely,

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